THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (DR. CHINTA MOHAN): (a) and (b) The Government of Madhya Pradesh have requested for provision of an additional amount of Rs. 62 crores for distribution of Interim Relief for a period of 3 years to the remaining residents of about one lakh in the 36 severely affected municipal wards of Bhopal. The proposal is being considered.

[English]

Reopening of Punalur Paper Mill

1100. SHRI KODIKKUNNIL SURESH:

PROF. SAVITHRI LAKSHMANAN:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the amount of debt which Punalur Paper Mill has to pay to ICICI and Canara Bank;

(b) Whether Punalur Paper Mill management has submitted any proposal to reopen the mill; if so, the reaction of the Union Government thereto;

(c) whether the Government have considered the request of the management of Punalur Paper Mill for withdrawal of receiver rule in that company; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (PROF. P. J. KURIEN): (a) Reportedly, an amount of Rs. 11.90 crores plus interest from 30-9-1987 onwards is due from M/s. Punalur Paper Mills Ltd. to Canara Bank. As regards ICICI, it is understood that the Corporation has filed a suit for Rs. 3.60 crores against the company.

(b) Reportedly, M/s. Punalur Paper Mills Ltd. has submitted a rehabilitation proposal to ICICI.

(c) and (d) It has been reported by Canara Bank that an appeal made by M/s. Punalur Paper Mills Ltd. for withdrawal of receiver rule is pending before the Court.

Centrally Sponsored Industries in Kota

1102. SHRI DAU DAYAL JOSHI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state the details of the Centrally sponsored industries in Kota region of Rajasthan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI P. K. THUNGON): There is only one Central Public Sector enterprise namely Instrumentation Ltd. with registered office in Kota region of Rajasthan.

Criteria for Distribution of Edible Oils to States

1103. SHRI GOVINDRAO NIKAM:

SHRI PRAKASHBAPU VASANTRAO PATIL:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the criteria for the distribution of edible oils to the States;

(b) whether Maharashtra is deficit in edible oils and very low percentage of edible oil is given to the Maharashtra State in comparison to the other states;

(c) if so, the details thereof and whether the Government propose more allocation for the state; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL SUPPLIES AND PUBLC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI KAMALUDDIN AHMED): (a) The allocation of imported edible oils to States/UTs is decided based on factors such as local availability of indigenous edible oils, realistic demand of the State/UT, availability of imported edible oils with the Government, pace of lifting etc.